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## Press Release

### BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0 Adds EJB to Power-Packed E-Commerce Arsenal

*BEA raises the bar for enterprise transaction platforms with EJB and CORBA*

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Nob Hill Masonic Center — December 6, 1999 — BEA Systems, Inc. (Nasdaq: BEAS), the E-Commerce Transactions Company™, today announced the release of BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0, the industry's first Enterprise JavaBeans (EJB) offering on a battle-tested enterprise application server. As a single integrated system that unites the Java™ 2 Platform, Enterprise Edition (J2EE), Common Object Request Broker Architecture (CORBA), and BEA Tuxedo® application server and transaction processing technologies, BEA WebLogic® Enterprise 5.0 offers the most versatile and reliable environment available for rapidly building and deploying innovative e-business applications targeting the e-generation.

BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0 provides the key benefits of EJBs — reduced application complexity and the flexibility to easily add or modify application functionality simply by 'snapping in' standard, reusable EJB components that run across most server platforms — on a proven platform for building and deploying mission-critical, high-volume, transaction-intensive applications for e-commerce.

"BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0 gives the green light that Enterprise Java is ready for prime time," said Joe Menard, president of BEA's E-Commerce Server Division. "This solution combines a proven track record of reliability for world class e-commerce applications with the ability to work seamlessly in a variety of programming languages and paradigms. BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0 opens the door for a new class of e-commerce services and transactions that can easily be used and reused in creating the next wave of e-commerce applications."

BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0 marks an industry milestone as the first unified environment for development, deployment, runtime, and management of transactional enterprise applications that employ a variety of programming models in one system. Unlike other environments that require customers to install and integrate as many as six separate systems, BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0 provides one seamless package for building enterprise strength e-commerce applications. As a result, customers are free to focus on developing solutions in the language or programming model of their choice, while focusing on competitive advantage rather than coping with the obstacles of a complex, mixed environment.

In addition to support for EJB, BEA WebLogic Enterprise continues to bolster its superior support for advanced CORBA operations. BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0 is the only e-commerce transaction platform that is also capable of supporting high-end, massively scalable CORBA-based applications. Business logic can be written in CORBA Java or CORBA C++, and then reliably deployed to support millions of e-commerce transactions. BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0 enhances CORBA support with new features

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such as events and notifications, support for the COS Naming Service, support for Secure Socket Layer (SSL) for the Internet Inter-ORB Protocol (IIOP) and request-level interceptors for C++ and Java.

To ensure BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0 users can more easily develop EJB-based applications, BEA has partnered with Tendril Software Inc. to integrate the Tendril StructureBuilder for Java™ development tool with BEA WebLogic Enterprise. Tendril Structure Builder can be used on its own, or in conjunction with Symantec Visual Café to provide robust EJB development capabilities inside a full featured Java IDE. "We are pleased to deliver to BEA's customers a complete EJB design, development and deployment tool with our StructureBuilder for Java™ products, including our new EJB module, ejbCreate," said Nick Kimball, vice president of sales and marketing, Tendril Software, Inc. "Customers can leverage BEA WebLogic Enterprise's power and take full advantage of StructureBuilder's visual and interactive EJB development environment, optimized for BEA's enterprise transaction platform, while bringing Web-enabled, e-commerce applications to market quickly."

BEA customers who wish to develop with CORBA will be pleased to note the close cooperation with Ensemble Systems, Inc. continues with the release of BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0. The Ensemble Systems RoseLink for BEA WebLogic Enterprise (RWLE) product extends Rational Rose to generate the foundation of a WebLogic Enterprise CORBA application from a Rose object model in C++ or Java. RoseLink for WLE has been certified by Ensemble Systems as fully interoperable with BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0. "Ensemble's RWLE can help to dramatically reduce the time and effort for CORBA development", according to Ron Williams, President of Ensemble Systems. "By simplifying the translation of a Rose UML object model to an application based on BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0, RWLE assists developers in the rapid creation of well designed, scaleable, reliable e-commerce solutions."

#### **Availability**

BEA WebLogic Enterprise 5.0 will be available from BEA beginning December 22, 1999. For more information call 1-800-817-4BEA or visit [www.beasys.com](http://www.beasys.com).

#### **About BEA**

BEA Systems, Inc. (Nasdaq: BEAS) is the E-Commerce Transactions Company™, powering many of the world's most innovative companies that serve the "E-generation," companies such as Amazon.com, Federal Express, E\*TRADE, United Airlines, DIRECTV, Qwest, Nokia, and Kaiser-Permanente. The E-generation relies on the Web to conduct their everyday business, demanding richer, more personalized experiences and the guarantee that your Web site is always available — every minute of every day. BEA's award-winning e-commerce transaction platform, coupled with BEA consulting, education, and support services, helps companies launch reliable e-commerce initiatives quickly. BEA solutions help companies of all sizes build e-commerce infrastructures that leverage existing investments and provide the foundation for running a successful integrated e-business for the e-generation. BEA has 52 offices in 24 countries, is headquartered in San Jose, Calif., and is on the Web at [www.beasys.com](http://www.beasys.com).

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